

SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE DIVISION COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU

MEDICAID HOSPICE POLICY MANUAL

Section: ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES

Subject: Medicaid Hospice

Admission to Hospice Care

Reference: ARM 37.40.815, 42 CFR 418.25

ADMISSION TO HOSPICE CARE

The hospice admits a member only on the recommendation of the medical director in consultation with, or with input from, the member's attending physician (if any).

In reaching a decision to certify that the member is terminally ill, the hospice medical director must consider at least the following information:

- 1. Diagnosis of the terminal condition of the member;
- 2. Other health conditions, whether related or unrelated to the terminal condition; and
- 3. Current clinically relevant information supporting all diagnoses.